

Sterling Library Community Meeting #2

04 AUG 2015

- Welcome
- G+P Experience + Approach
- Overview of Sterling Library Project
- Community Ideas & Input



Sterling Library

Loudoun County Public Library

G+P Library Experience

- Laurel Library
- Miller Library & Historical Center HCL
- Burke Centre Library * FCPL
- Bethesda Regional Library MCPL
- Rockville Regional Library MCPL
- Gum Spring Library * LCPL
- New Baltimore Library * FCPL
- Crozet Library * JMRLS
- Hopewell Library * ARLS
- Quince Orchard Library MCPL
- Frostburg Library * APL
- George's Creek Library * APL
- Perryville Library * CCPL
- Chesapeake City Library * CCPL
- Prince Frederick Library * CL
- East Columbia Library HCL
- Glenwood Library HCL
- Crofton Library AAPL
- Wicomico Regional Library * WFLS



24 Years of Award Winning Libraries

Our Approach

We begin by listening & learning about YOU!

CREATIVE COLLABORATION

- We engage the Library
 - We engage the Community
 - We engage key stakeholders
 - We share design progress
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- June 2015 – Community Meeting #1
 - Aug 2015 – Community Meeting #2





LOUDOUN COUNTY
PUBLIC LIBRARY

Nurturing Minds

We begin by **listening & learning** about **YOU!**



**1000 Books
before
Kindergarten**



What Do You Envision for the New Sterling Library?





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We want to hear from you!

Your input is important! We are designing this new facility to meet community needs.

Complete the online survey and attend the public meeting to hear the plans and offer your ideas (August 4, 7p.m. at Sterling Library).

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SterlingLibrary>

Survey is available in English and Spanish

Question Summaries

Data Trends

Individual Responses

All Pages

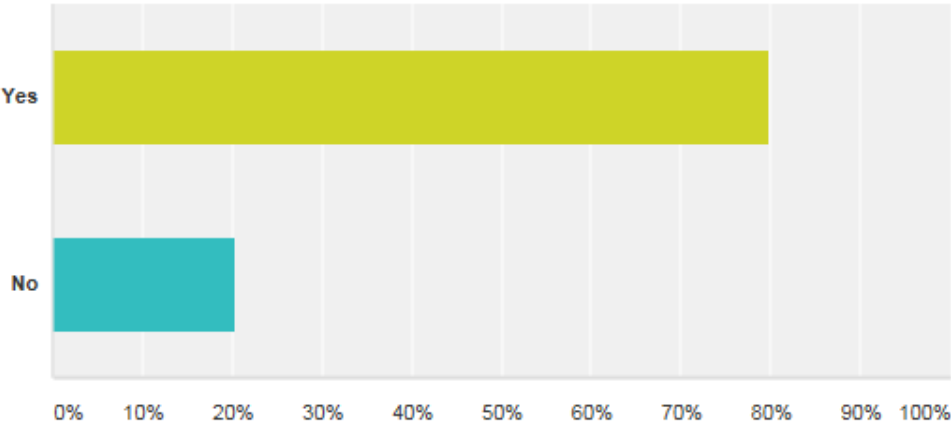
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Q1

Do you currently visit/use the Sterling Library?

Answered: 302 Skipped: 2








Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	79.80%	241
No	20.20%	61
Total		302

304 responses

65 days (5/27/2015 - now)

20 views

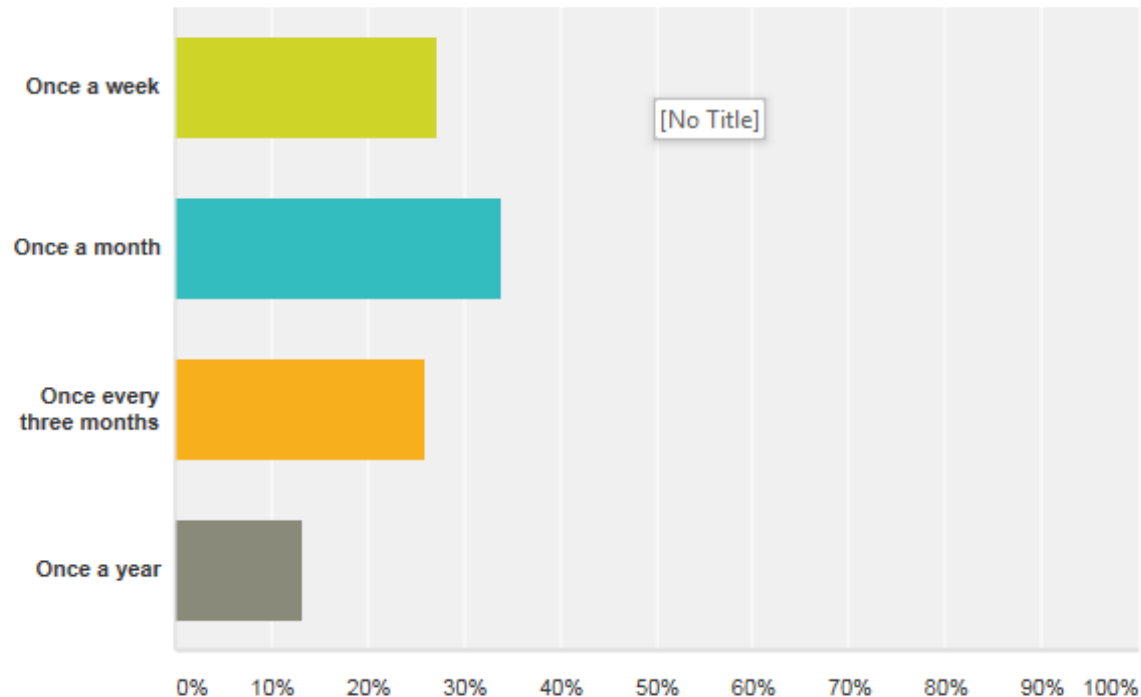


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If "yes," how often do you visit?

Answered: 251 Skipped: 53



Answer Choices	Responses	
Once a week	27.09%	68
Once a month	33.86%	85
Once every three months	25.90%	65
Once a year	13.15%	33
Total	251	

If you don't currently use the library, what would attract you to visit/use the new library?

Answered: 119 Skipped: 185

Communication. Activities.

7/29/2015 8:31 PM

A larger facility with longer evening and weekend hours. I currently use Cascades even though it is further away.

7/29/2015 11:33 AM

More books i.e. larger selection

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indoor play area for kids with toys

7/27/2015 12:30 PM

More selection and more adult/teen events would prompt me to go more.

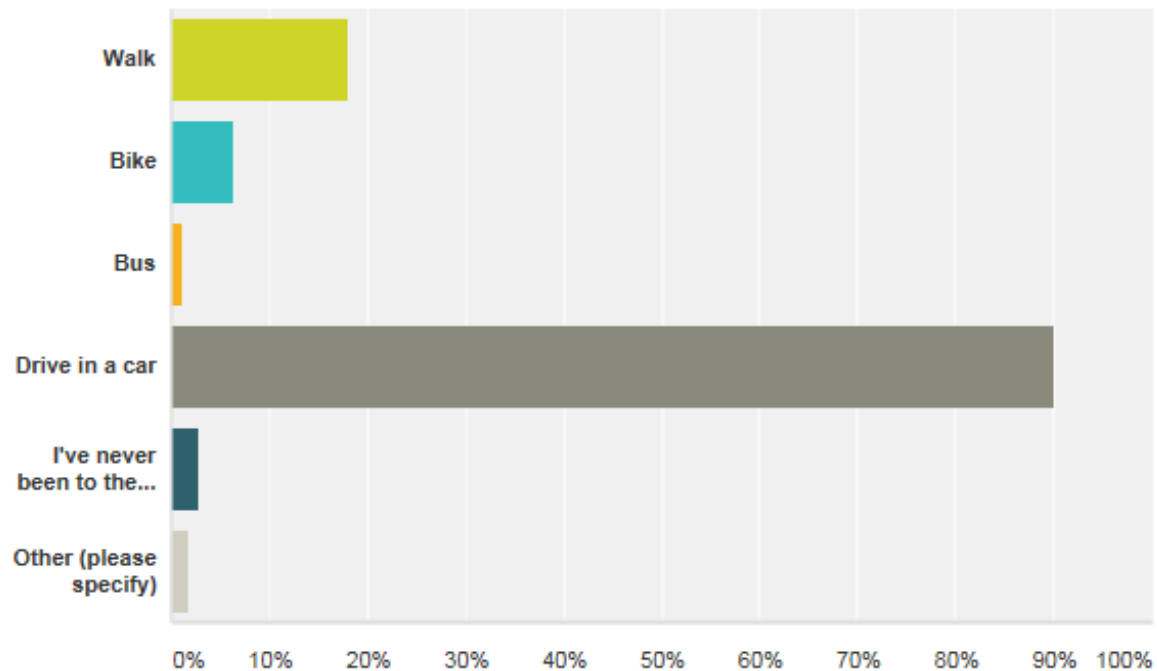
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We are moving into Sterling from Arlington County, so we would love to see what we're leaving: large collection of books and e-resources, lots of study spaces, great kids area, community/study group rooms, and innovative programming. (Arlington added a garden tool lending library recently that was such a neat idea!)

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How do you typically travel to the Library?

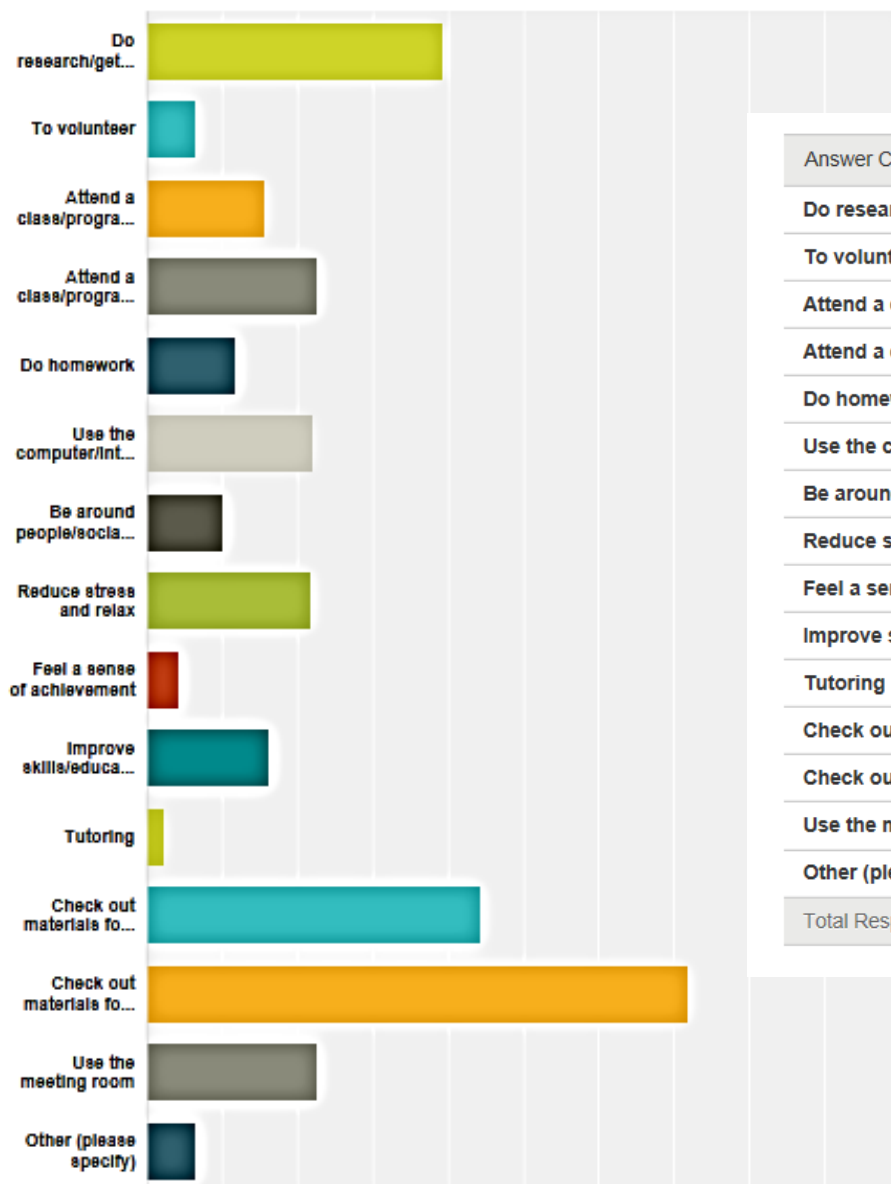
Answered: 300 Skipped: 4



Answer Choices	Responses	
Walk	18.00%	54
Bike	6.33%	19
Bus	1.00%	3
Drive in a car	90.00%	270
I've never been to the Sterling Library	2.67%	8
Other (please specify)	1.67%	5
Total Respondents: 300		

Why do you visit the library? (check all that apply)

Answered: 294 Skipped: 10



Answer Choices	Responses	
Do research/get information	39.46%	116
To volunteer	6.46%	19
Attend a class/program for adults	15.65%	46
Attend a class/program for children	22.45%	66
Do homework	11.90%	35
Use the computer/internet	22.11%	65
Be around people/socialize	10.20%	30
Reduce stress and relax	21.77%	64
Feel a sense of achievement	4.42%	13
Improve skills/education	16.33%	48
Tutoring	2.38%	7
Check out materials for a child	44.22%	130
Check out materials for an adult	71.77%	211
Use the meeting room	22.79%	67
Other (please specify)	6.46%	19
Total Respondents: 294		

What do you like most about the existing Sterling Library?

Answered: 231 Skipped: 73

A playground next to the building.

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Within walking distance of my home

7/29/2015 8:46 PM

The smell of the books

7/29/2015 8:31 PM

It's close proximity to our home and convenient hours.

7/29/2015 4:52 PM

The open work desks.

7/29/2015 1:20 PM

The park that is attached to it

7/29/2015 11:58 AM

Its location

7/29/2015 11:33 AM

What do you dislike about the existing Sterling Library?

Answered: 233 Skipped: 71

The wait time for the computers and the place is small.

7/30/2015 11:52 AM

Noise...it's too small to separate kids from adults

7/29/2015 8:46 PM

Tight space. Not enough inventory of books

7/29/2015 8:31 PM

The building smells & the selection of books isn't as large as some other libraries.

7/29/2015 4:52 PM

The limited selection of teen reading and comic books.

7/29/2015 1:20 PM

The size and amount of resources available are not adequate to the size of the community. As hard as the staff tries to make the place welcoming, it feels uninviting and cramped.

7/29/2015 11:58 AM

Its size and short hours

7/29/2015 11:33 AM

Q8

What would you like to see as soon as you enter the new library?

Answered: 218 Skipped: 86

Bigger, Brighter environment with 2 levels and lots of windows for natural light.

7/30/2015 11:52 AM

Collections of "new books and staff-suggested reading"

7/29/2015 8:46 PM

Book Drop Off Listing of local community programs.

7/29/2015 4:52 PM

I don't really care.

7/29/2015 1:20 PM

Openness, good lighting. Fresh looking material. Not like I entered into another era.

7/29/2015 11:58 AM

I would like to be able to find on tape, like in the old days, newspaper articles. I think libraries have phased that service out. Problem is the internet doesn't have the very old articles from newspapers.

7/28/2015 11:40 PM

Latest books available

7/28/2015 8:15 PM

What are the top three things the new library should include/consider for you or your community?

Answered: 219 Skipped: 85

1. Safety, considering it's moving near a bar 2. Bus Service in front of the location with benches 3. More programs such as education, learning english

7/30/2015 11:52 AM

Private corners/spaces for quiet work. Reading programs for both kids and adults. Current and thorough resources for job seekers.

7/29/2015 8:46 PM

meeting rooms, technology area for people needing to access computers and internet, classes/activities

7/29/2015 8:31 PM

Self check in - check out

7/29/2015 4:52 PM

Bike racks, comfy seats, and computers

7/29/2015 1:20 PM

sufficient tables and desks for people to sit, study and research. Up to date technology, sufficient. Multi level would be nice

7/29/2015 11:58 AM

What would make the building design a terrific success from your point of view?

Answered: 195 Skipped: 109

Lots of natural light

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Natural lighting Children's Section with murals and tons of color Two Floors - Children's floor and Adult floor
Ample parking

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More open and with work spaces.

7/29/2015 1:20 PM

If the place is accessible and inviting. Make it look like a place I really want to visit just by passing by the outside.

7/29/2015 11:58 AM

Lots of shelves for a huge book collection

7/29/2015 11:33 AM

Many computers available to the public, and to children who lack access to the internet at home. I believe given the location, some security features are needed.

7/28/2015 11:40 PM

What would your vision be for the new Sterling Library?

Answered: 168 Skipped: 136

as stated above.

7/30/2015 11:52 AM

2 floors Children's section & Adult section Lots of natural light Ample Parking Self Check-In/Check-Out Cozy Reading Nooks

7/29/2015 4:52 PM

A center of life change! Not only the educational component of books and research, but a place where community can develop and invest in each other. A place for collaboration.

7/29/2015 11:58 AM

A family oriented library

7/29/2015 11:33 AM

I think in the Shopping center is perfect since it will improve Sterling image!

7/28/2015 8:45 PM

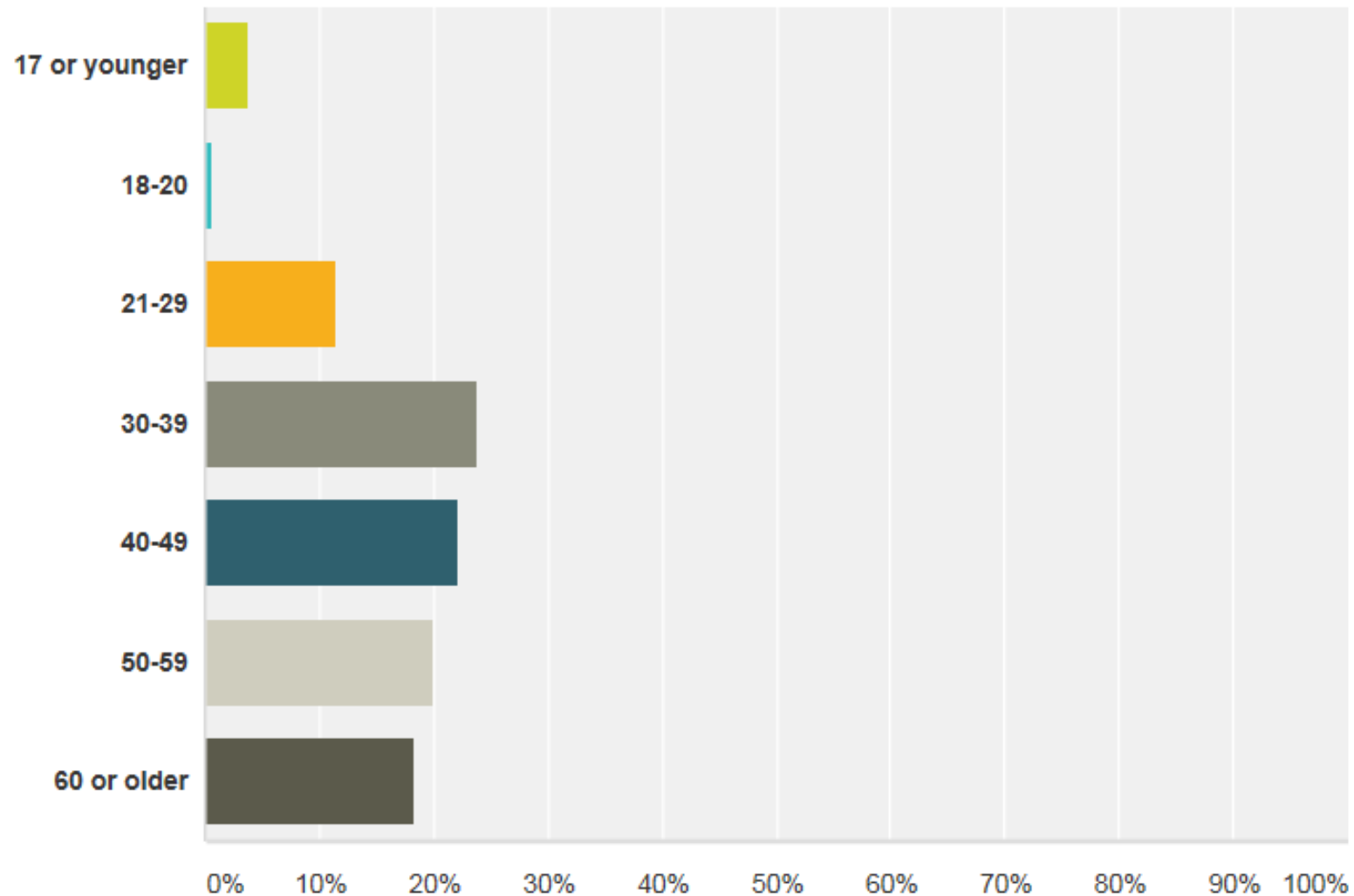
Allow to connect to the world

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A welcoming community space for everyone that also promotes reading.

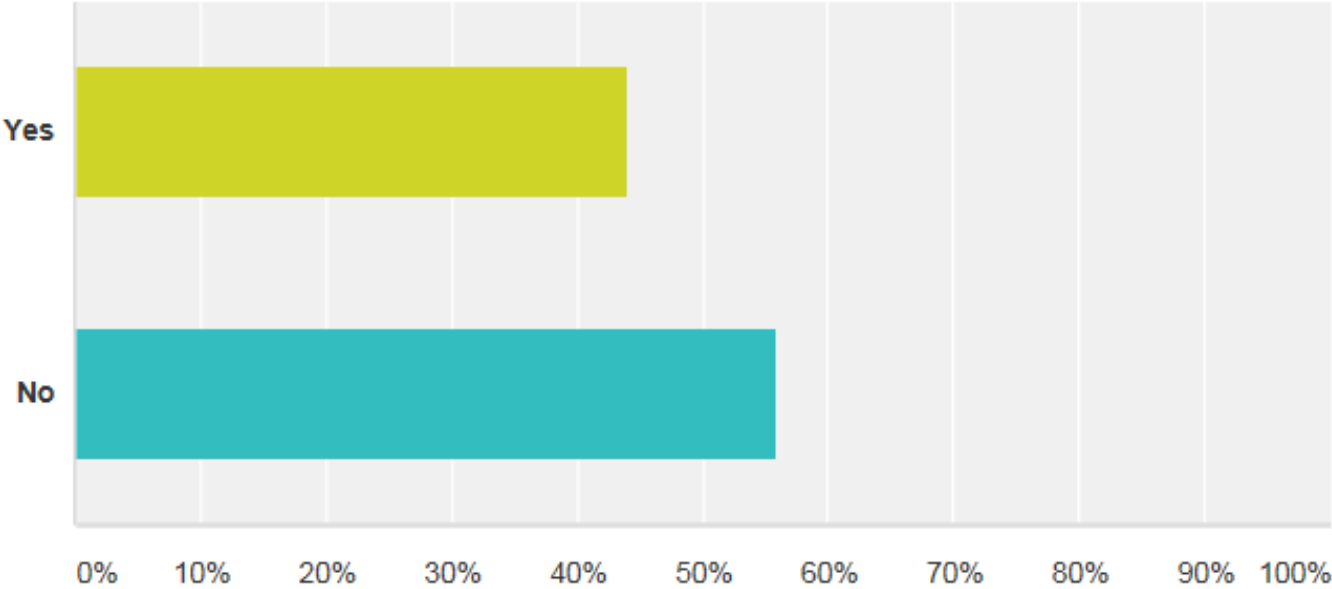
What is your age? (optional)

Answered: 295 Skipped: 9



Do you have any children under 18?
(optional)

Answered: 288 Skipped: 16



Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	44.10%	127
No	55.90%	161
Total		288

Sterling Library Survey Results So Far:

- Clearly organized, easy to understand layout
- Friendly atmosphere, bright colors, daylighting
- Welcoming feeling, access to resources, display of material
- More computers, more places to sit, accommodate all age groups.
- Accommodate noise, quiet, eating, stay for a long time!
- Accessible to different impairments inside and outside.
- Good parent area near children's and cool teen center!
- A place that reflects community pride.
- A place to learn and relax!

June 11, 2015

Community Ideas & Input

What Would Make This Project a Success for You?



Community Meeting on June 11, 2015



We wrote down people's responses...

Community Meeting #1 - Comments

11 JUNE 2015

- Sidewalk accessibility – ADA, ramps, paths
- Entranceway – inviting
- Environmental Sustainability
- Meeting Rooms
- Sound proofing to quiet talking, room size variety
- Can we pop up, natural light, daylight?
- More computers and security
- Security and safety
- Comfortable working spaces
- Space for cultural programs – draw community together
- Place for ALL AGES!
- Code, STEM – teens, youth
- Teaching sustainability outdoor space.
- Area for Language learning – headphones
- Meeting rooms – tablets, technology, whiteboards
- façade improvements so you know the library is there
- Disappointed it won't be stand alone
- Technology
- Coming to library was such a fond memory
- Could library be somewhere else?
- Tutoring / Study rooms – testing rooms with proctoring
- Digital, online learning, partner with college
- Some color, some curves – but not overly stimulating
- On time and on budget
- Fool us that we aren't looking at a parking lot
- Technology budget and infrastructure
- Ashburn Library power in floors throughout
- Spaces for tweens – middle school students
- Concerned about lack of windows
- Book without getting out of car
- Solar panels
- Celebrate history of Sterling
- Tell the story of the community
- Aerials from years ago
- Like to see a stand-alone building
- No property for stand-alone library
- Space for viewing films and children's programs
- What is budget? \$3.2M / Lease is 20 Years
- Gum Spring Library is a condo
- Leased space – not other options
- Making a more attractive move right now
- Borders, Starbucks and copy center
- Bathrooms with Nursing and changing areas
- Continuous book sale area / Book gift store
- Rooms for home school students
- Lots of spaces for tutoring

Sterling Library – Community Comments

Accessibility

- Easy to understand layout
- Clearly organized
- Safety and security
- Universally accessible for everyone
- Easy entrance, ramps and paths

Program

- Variety of meeting rooms for different functions
- More computers and technology
- Spaces that feel like a book store or coffee shop
- Accommodate noise, quiet, eating, stay for a long time

Community

- More attractive, inviting, friendly and comfortable.
- Know that it's a library, make it distinct.
- A place for all ages
- Reflect community pride
- Environmentally friendly and sustainable

Program for New Sterling Library:



- Larger & Special Children's Area
- Unique Teen Area
- Larger Adult Area
- Group Study Rooms
- Individual Study Rooms
- More Meeting Space
- More Computer Areas
- More Lounge Seating
- Laptop Area
- Dedicated Staff Workroom
- Power + WiFi Throughout



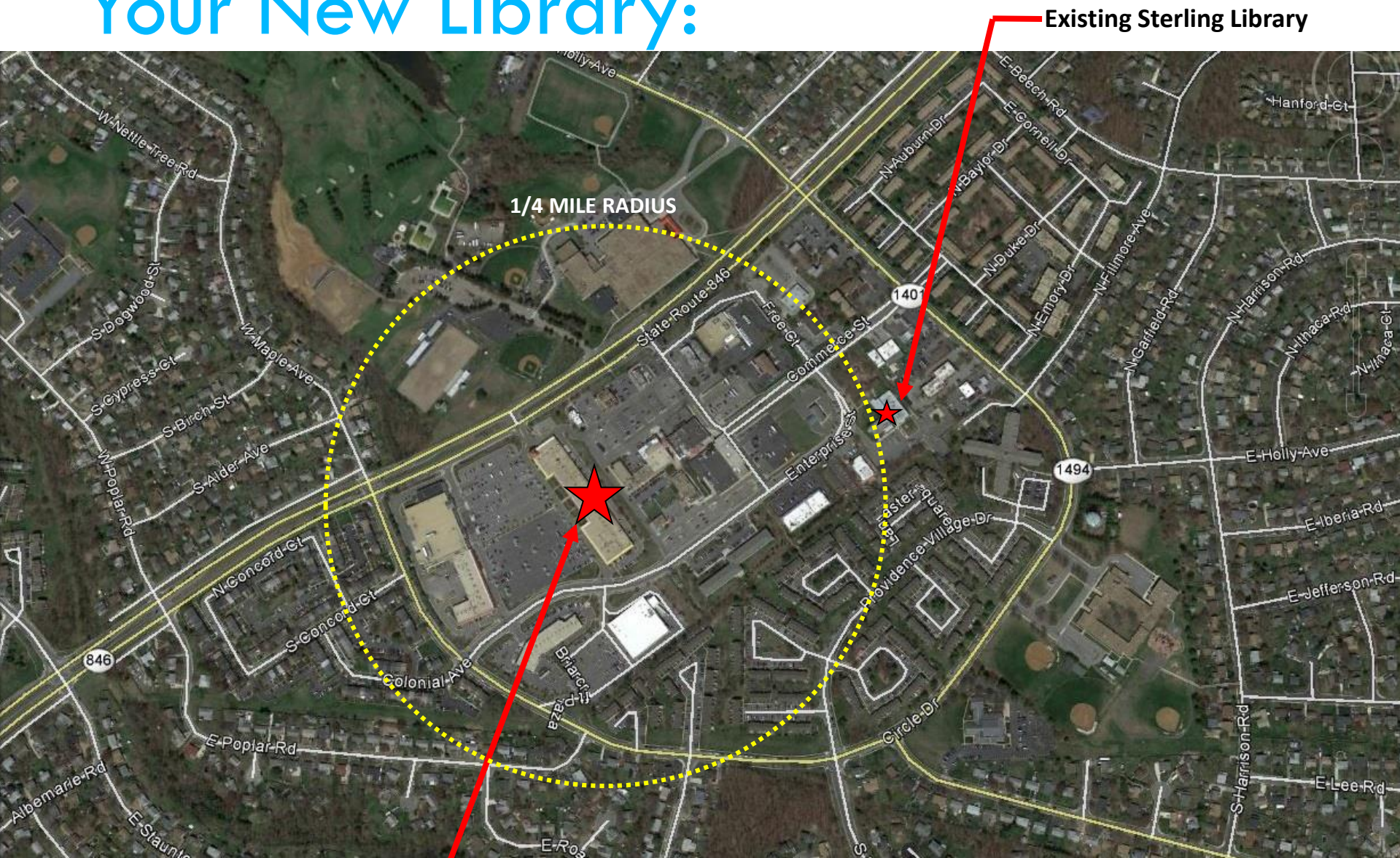
NEW Sterling Library at **14,500 sq. ft.**
nearly **TWICE** the size of the existing library!



STERLING LIBRARY	EXISTING	NEW
Meeting Rooms & Maker Spaces:		
Large Meeting Room:	50 to 60+ chairs 980 sf Single room No built in storage No built in kitchenette	100+ chairs plus storage area & kitchenette area 1,250 sf Room can be sub-divided into two smaller rooms
Maker Space/Lab	0	1 maker space with 16 chairs & built-in storage
Totals:	50 to 60+ Seats	116+ Seats

STERLING LIBRARY	EXISTING	NEW
Lounge Seating in Reading Areas:		
Adults:	4 seats	12 seats plus 4 at café
Children's:	2 seats	8 seats at lounge bench along window
Teen's:	2 seats	12 seats
Totals:	8 lounge seats	36 lounge seats
Tables and Chairs & Study Areas:		
Adult Study Tables & Chairs:	4 chairs, 2 tables	20 Chairs & 10 tables
Children's Study Tables & Chairs:	6 chairs, 2 tables	8 chairs & 4 tables
Teen Study Tables & Chairs:	8 chairs, 4 tables	10 chairs & 5 tables (study counters)
Tutoring & Study & Quiet Rooms:	0	4 study rooms with 16 chairs & 4 tables
Café Area:	0	12 chairs & 6 tables
Totals:	18 chairs 8 tables	66 chairs 29 tables
Computers:		
Adults	13	23 computers plus laptop stations
Children's:	4	10 computers
Teen's:	2	6 computers plus gaming area LCD's and study room
Totals:	16 computers	39 computers plus laptop stations & study room
Totals:	45 seats in library	141 seats in library

Your New Library:



Existing Sterling Library

1/4 MILE RADIUS

New Library in
Sterling Plaza
Shopping Center



New Sterling Library

Existing Sterling
Library



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Sterling Shopping Center Site

22350 S. Sterling Boulevard
VA 20164

New Library is more sustainable:

Community Connectivity

Public Transportation Access

Water Use Reduction

Low flow plumbing fixtures

Optimize Energy Performance

Efficient Mechanical Systems

Efficient Lighting Fixtures

High Performance Glazing

Increased insulation

Diversion of construction waste from landfill

Building Re-use

Recycled Materials

Regional Materials

Forest Stewardship Council Certified Wood

Low-emitting Materials (Indoor Air Quality)

Controllability of Lighting Systems

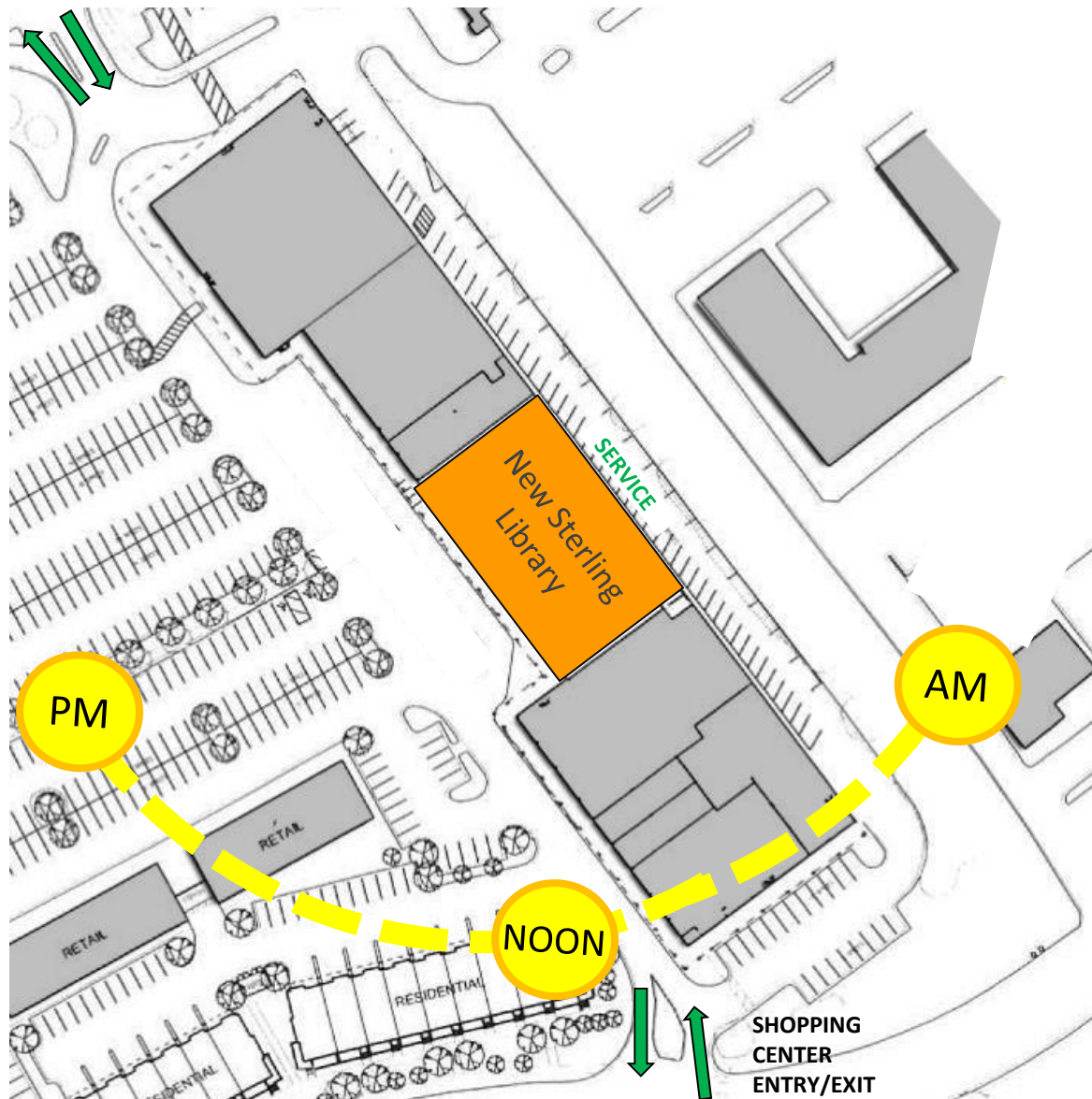
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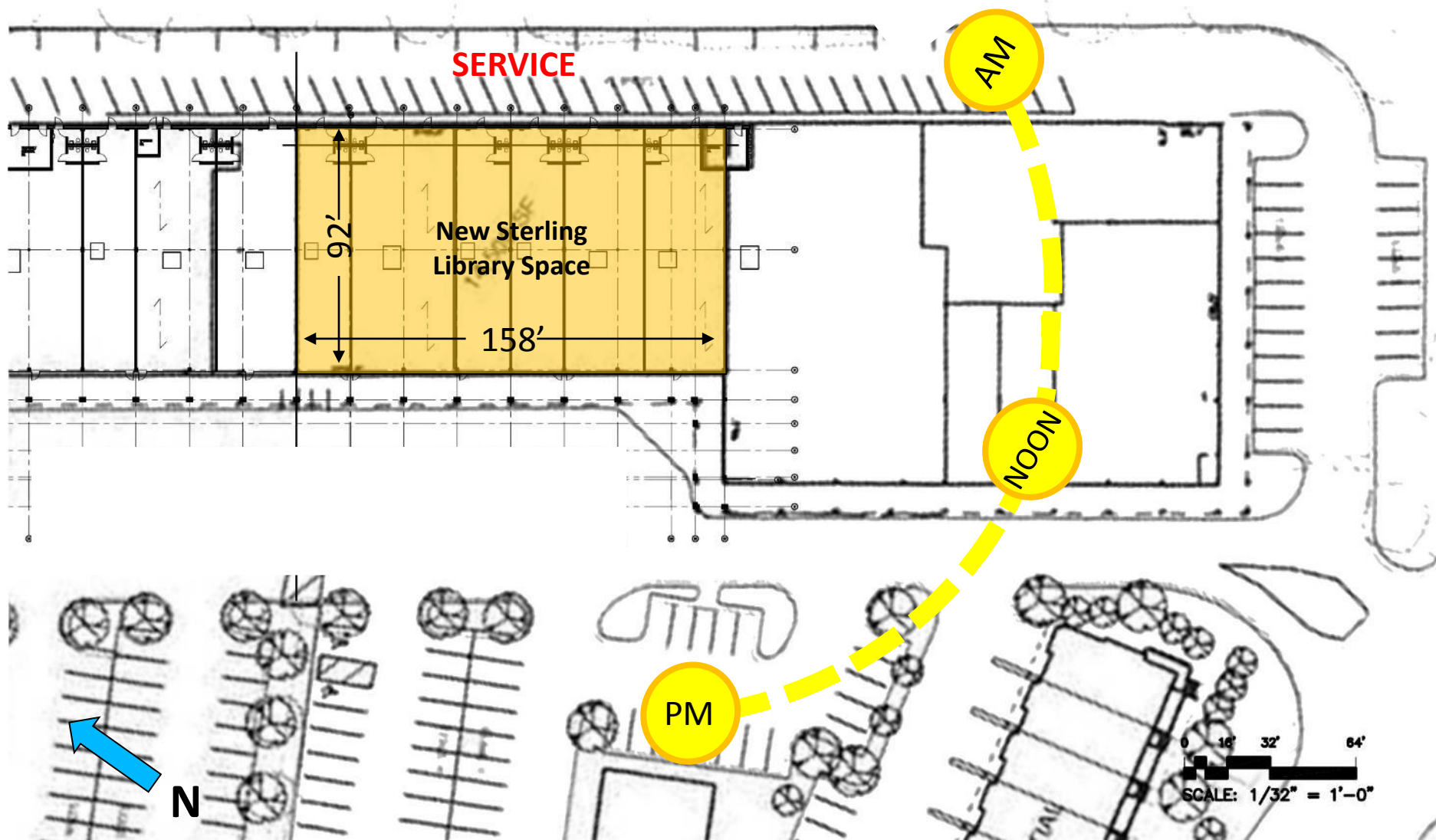


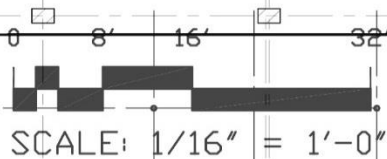
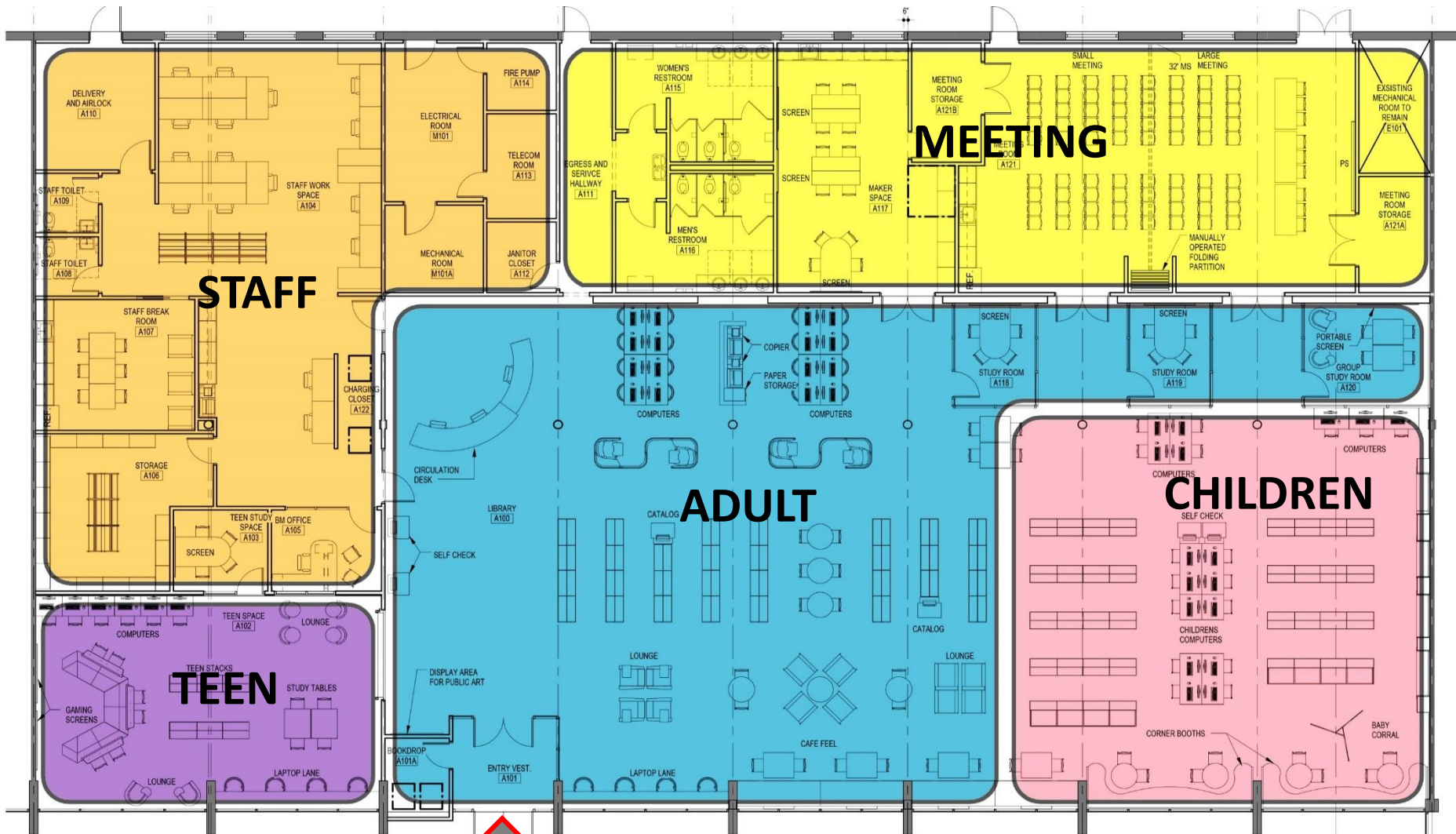
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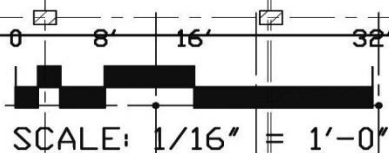
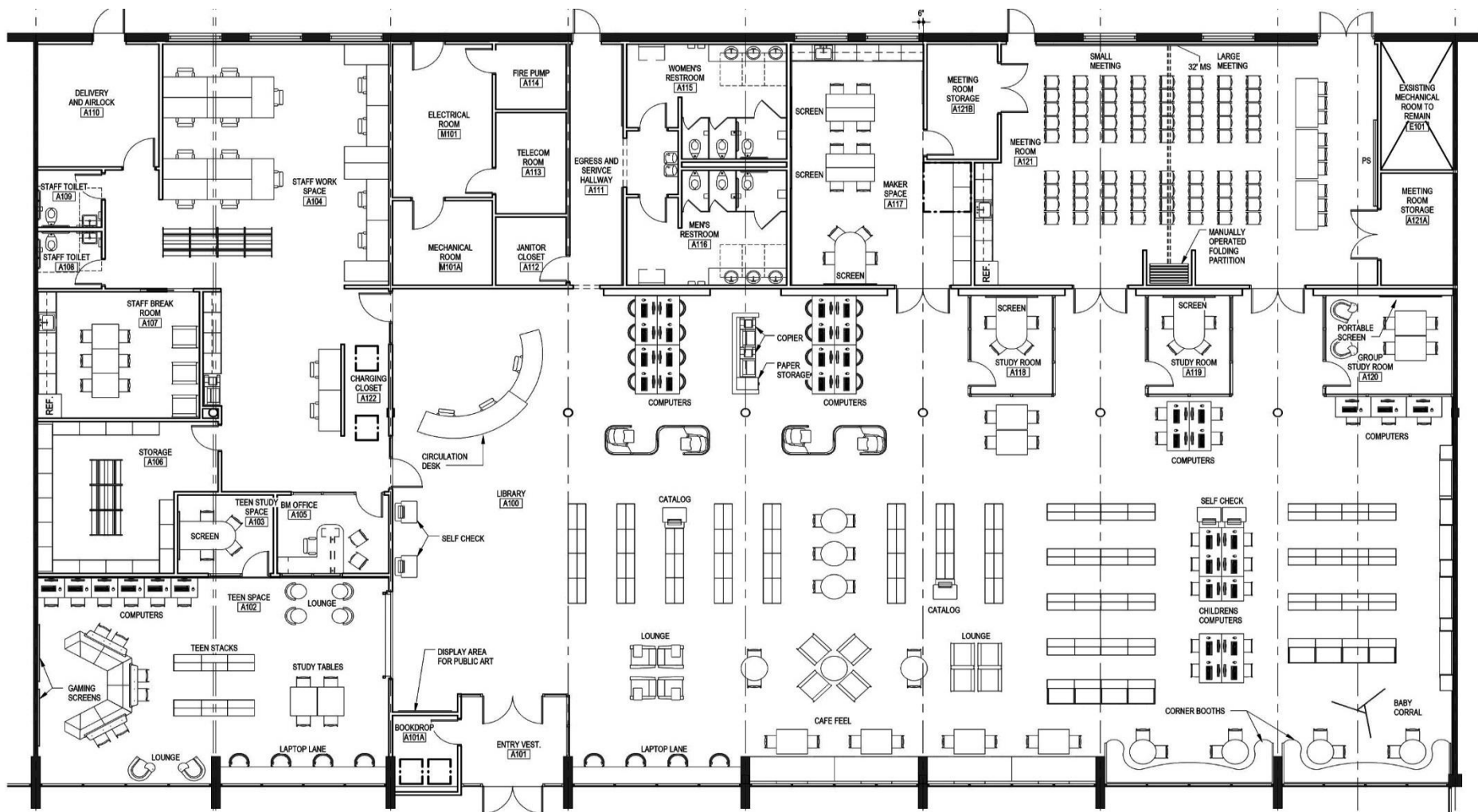
SHOPPING
CENTER
ENTRY/EXIT







New Sterling Library FLOOR PLAN



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Libraries build community...



...by creating lifelong learners



...by providing a variety of resources



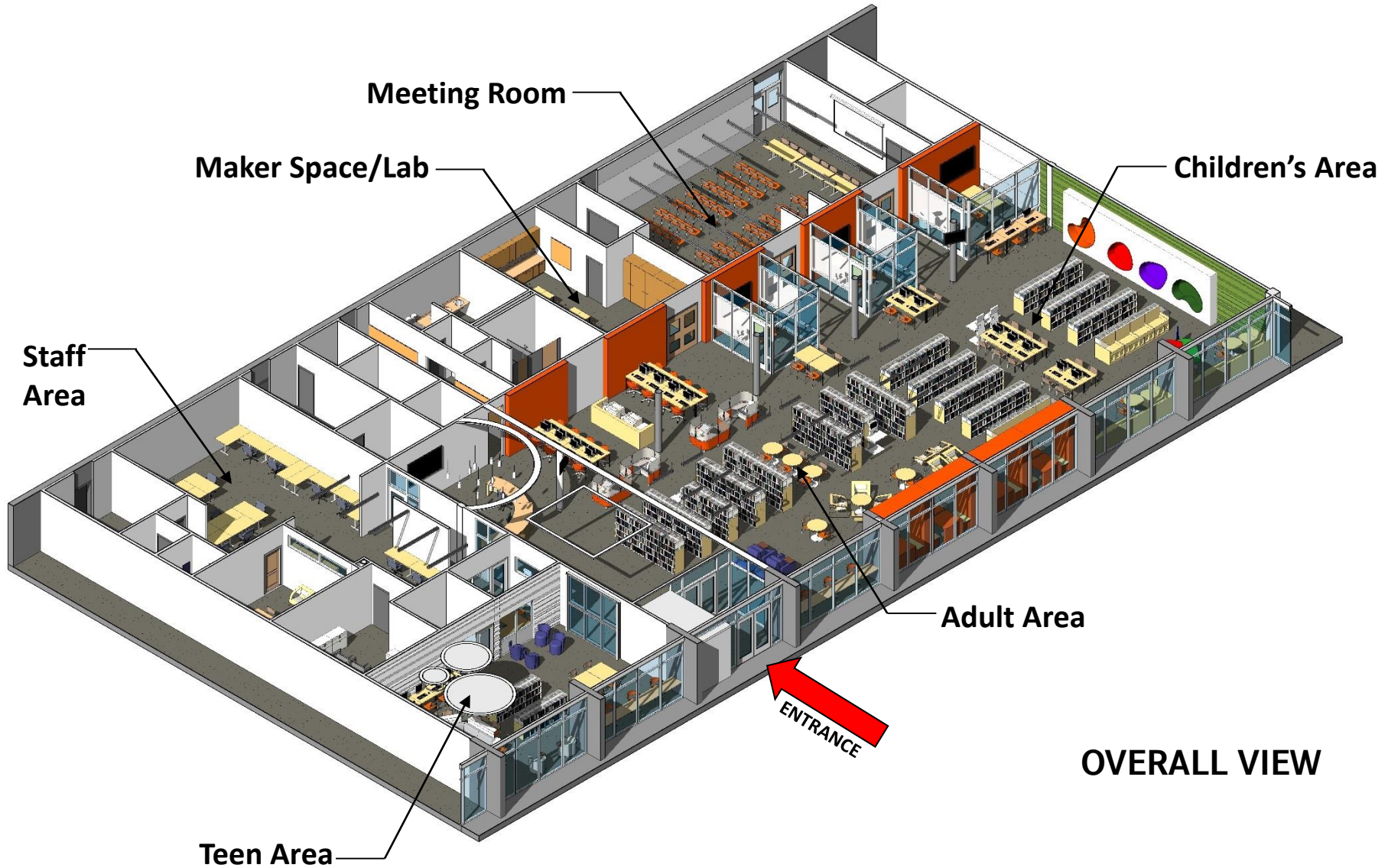
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...by meeting educational needs



... by meeting informational needs

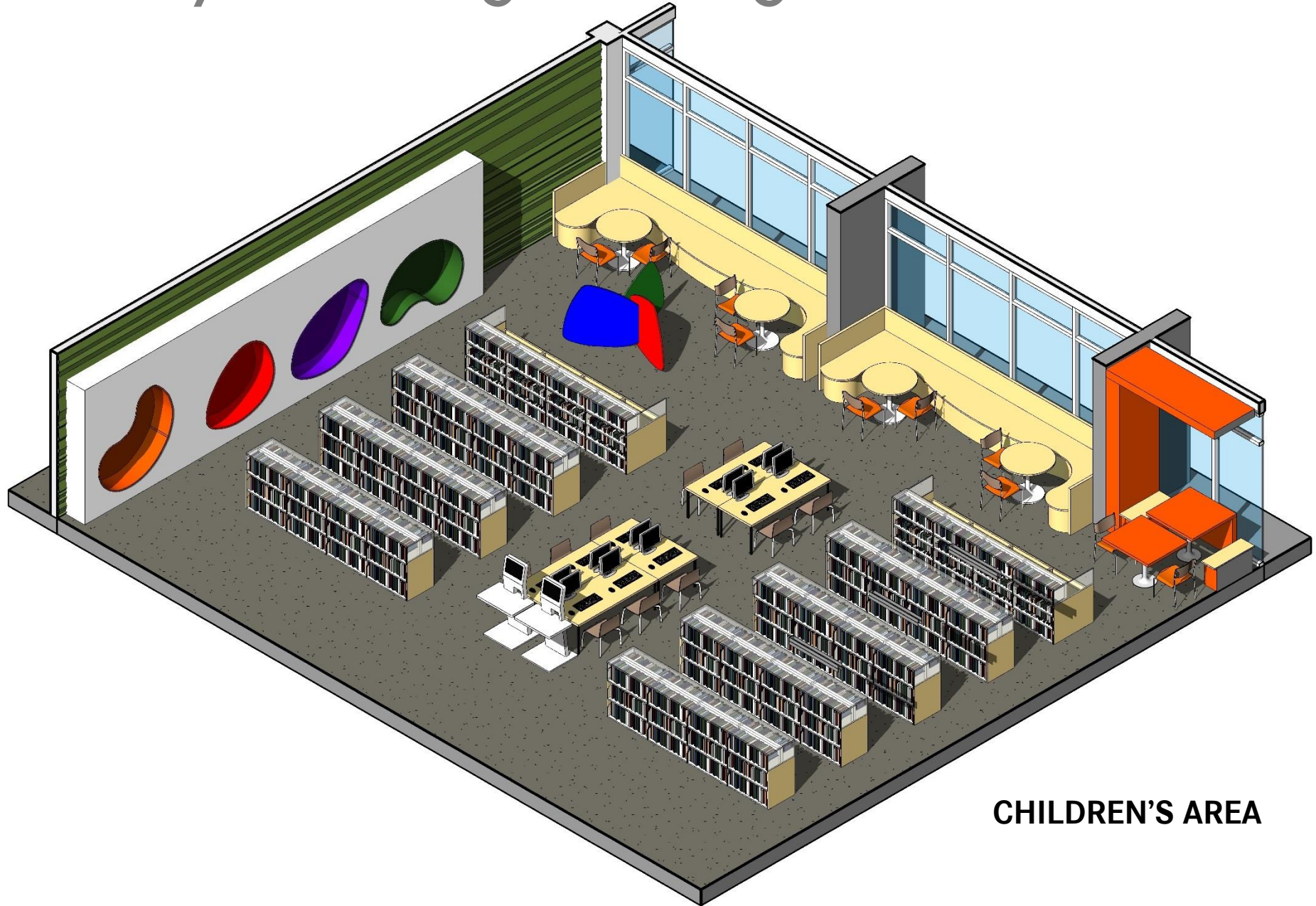


...by meeting cultural needs



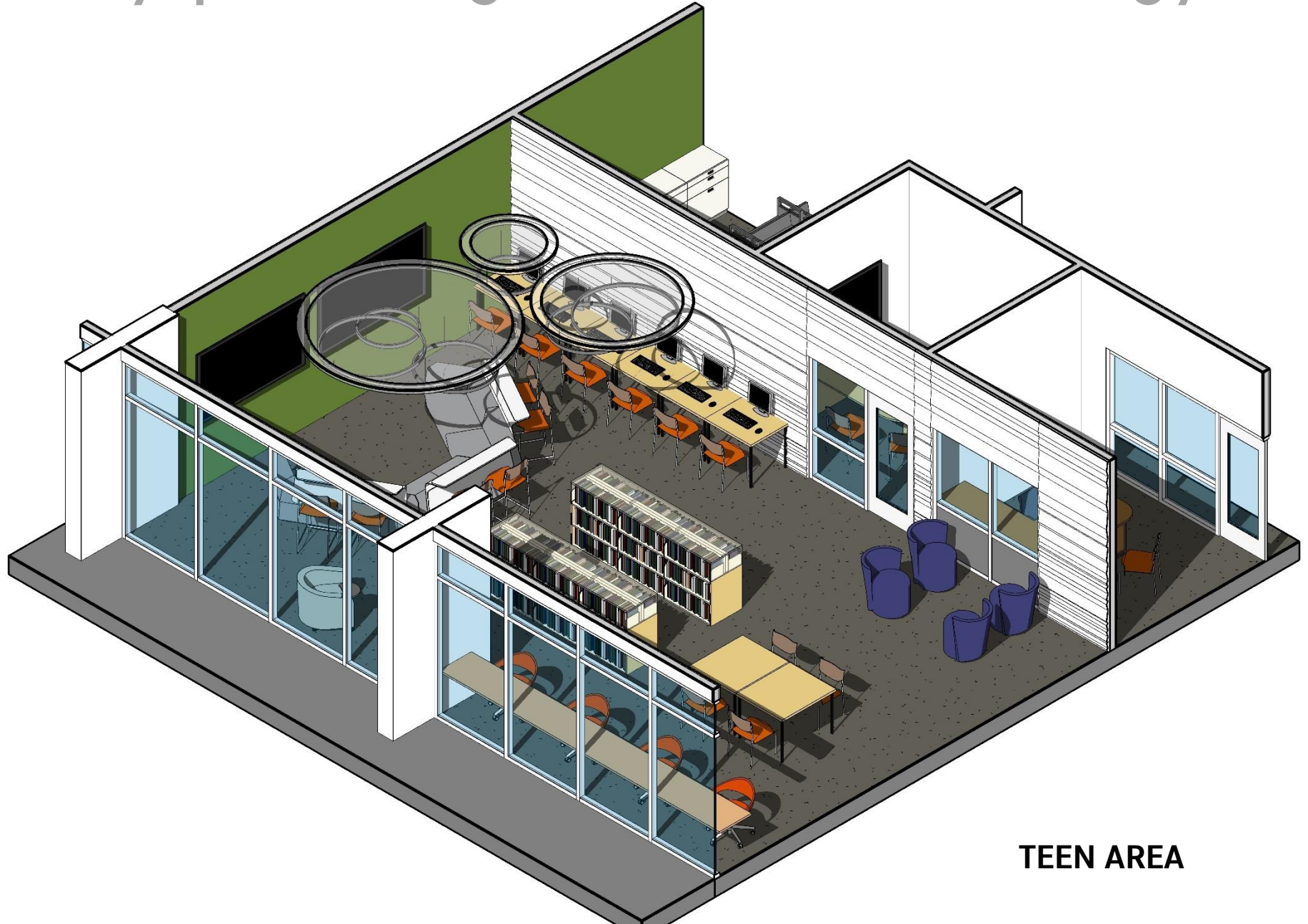
ADULT COLLECTION

...by creating lifelong learners



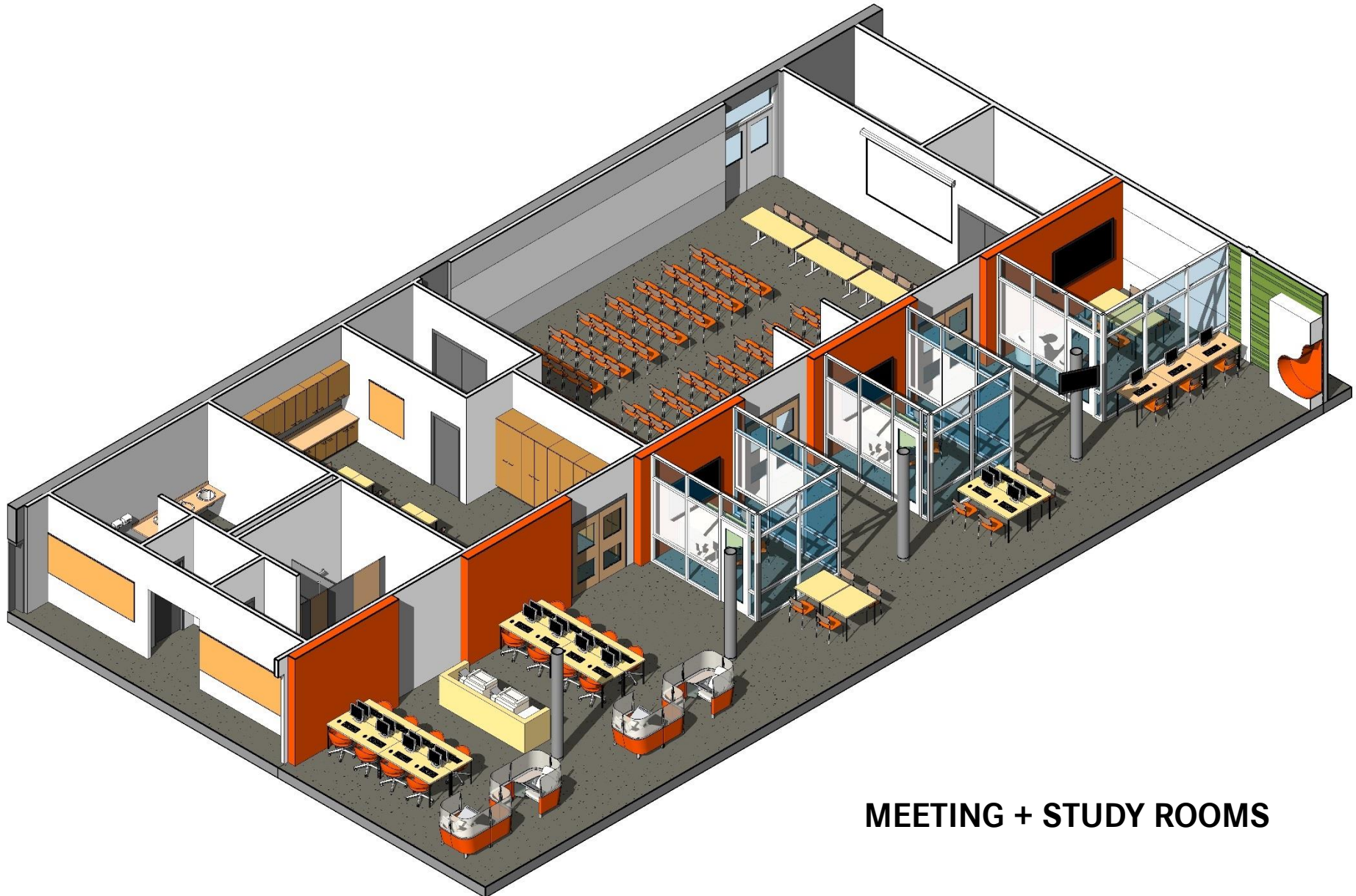
CHILDREN'S AREA

...by providing access to technology

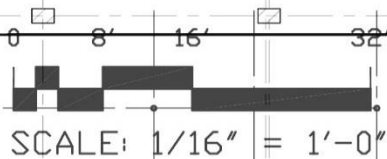
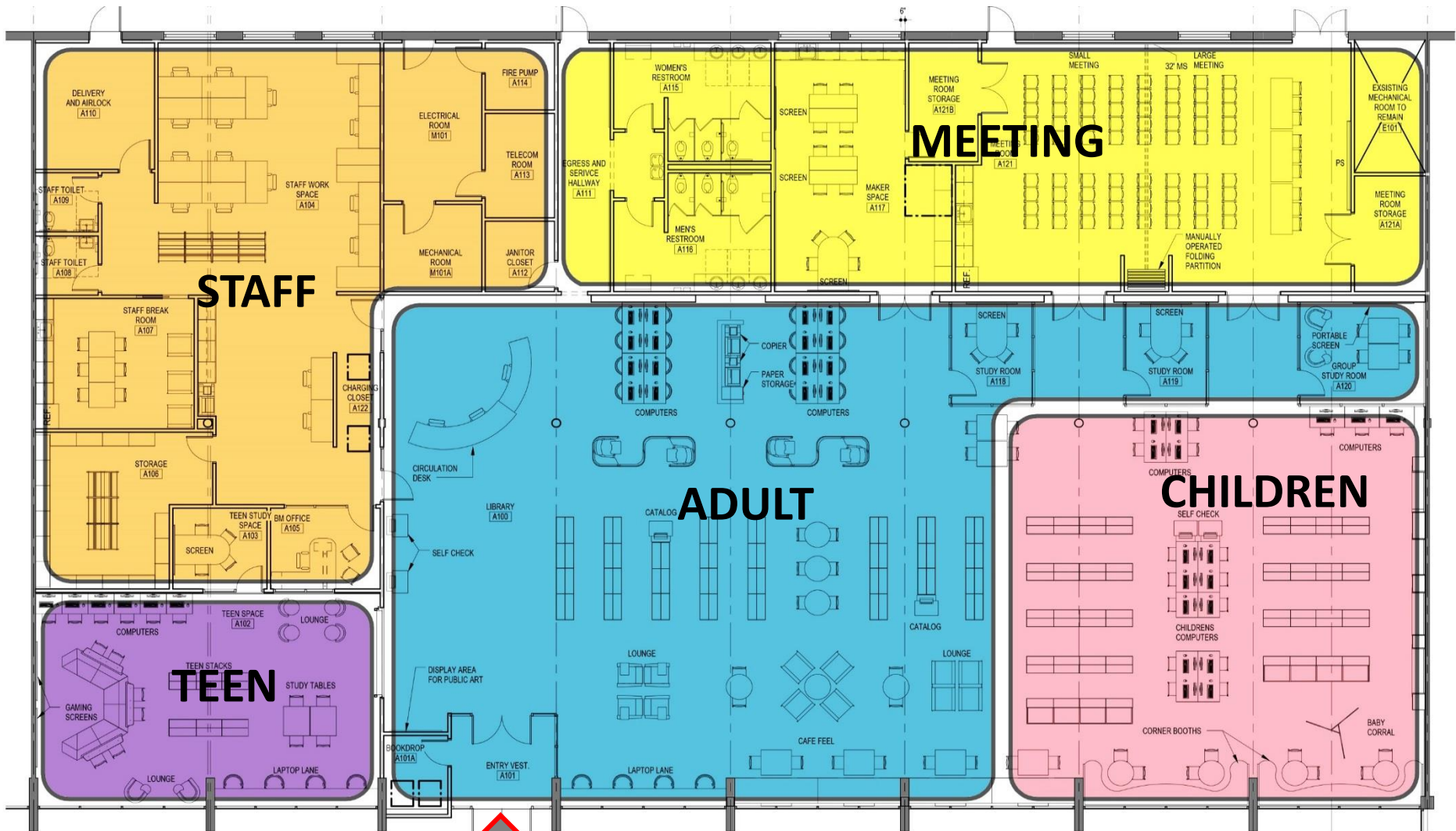


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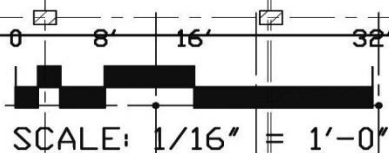
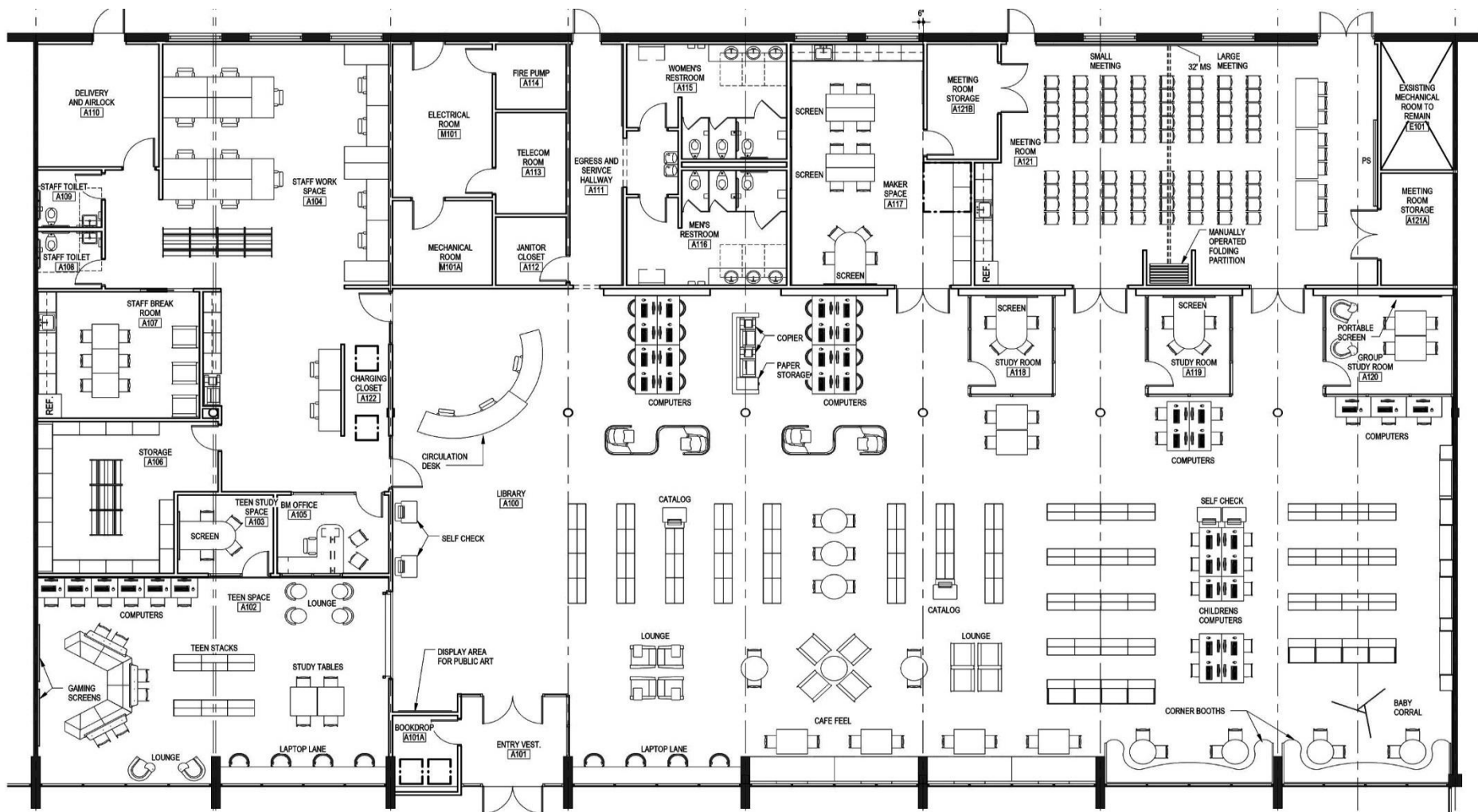
...by enhancing the quality of life!



MEETING + STUDY ROOMS



New Sterling Library FLOOR PLAN



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THANK YOU!

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Questions + Answers



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